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SUBJ: NORWEGIAN REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON NEW AMBASSADOR TO NORWAY

- 1. NORWEGIAN EMBASSY HAS ASKED USLO FOR AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON KOM BONG ROK, WHOM DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF KOREA HAS PROPOSED AS THEIR NEXT AMBASSADOR TO NORWAY. NORWEGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS ASKED NORWEGIAN EMBASSY PEKING FOR COMMENTS.
- 2. DPRK HAS TOLD NORWEGIANS ONLY THAT KOM BONG ROK WAS BORN IN 1929; WORKED IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN PYONGYANG FROM 1975 TO 1977 AS A DIRECTOR (OF WHAT NOT SPECIFIED); AND ACQUIRED THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY IN 1977.
- 3. NORWEGIANS PROBABLY ADDRESSED SAME QUESTION TO AMEMBASSY OSLO, IN WHICH CASE USLO SHOULD ANSWER IN SAME VEIN. WOODCOCK

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